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Title: OPTICAL DEVICE SUITABLE FOR SEPARATING AND

SYNTHESIZING LIGHT

By:

Shunta TAKIMOTO and Kazuhiko INOUE

Attorney Docket No.: 15162/04080

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to a OPTICAL DEVICE SUITABLE FOR SEPARATING AND SYNTHESIZING LIGHT, Shunta TAKIMOTO and Kazuhiko INOUE, inventors:

- (1)Specification (26 pages, including 25 claims and an abstract);
- (2) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (7 pages);
- (3) Drawings (7 sheets);
- (4)Transmittal of Certified Copy of Priority Document with Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-378589 (1 cover sheet and 25 pages);



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- (5) Transmittal of PrintEFS Patent Bibliographic Data (1 page) and Print EFS DATA (2 pages); and
- (6) Assignment of the invention to Minolta Co., Ltd. (2 pages) with Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page, in duplicate).

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Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL OF PrintEFS PATENT APPLICATION BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA

Submitted herewith is bibliographic data (2 pages) for the above-identified application, in the PrintEFS Version 1.0.1 program format.

Respectfully submitted,

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